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Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 09:55:36 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9412281523.A22845-0100000@inet.uni-c.dk>
From: MEC <danmec@inet.uni-c.dk>
Subject: <didn't bother with a subject>

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Anyone collecting WW2 gear ? Pse get in touch.
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 19:57:13 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 17:55:13 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.941228155228.4663C-100000@access2.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: A Case For CW

I just received permission from 73 MAGAZINE to reproduce the following short essay from the June 1975 issue. Please forgive the slight digression, but I believe that its sentiments will be appreciated by the J-38 pounders among us. dit-dit!

A CASE FOR CW

By John J. Risch, W0FEV

Ever since I can remember, my impression of an Amateur Radio Station was one where the operator was wearing headphones and sending with a hand key. The idea that he would use, or even own, a microphone never crossed my mind. Radio communication seemed synonymous with CW; there was no other way. It still seems that way to me.

To most hams, CW is looked on as a thing of horror, an annoying source of interference, that hopefully someday will go away. They wonder why anyone in his right mind would ever consider it as a means of communication. They think that if the Good Lord in His infinite wisdom wanted us to communicate that way, He would have provided us with a 400 Hertz filter. To this "unenlightened" group, this article is respectfully dedicated.

I suppose there are as many valid reasons for not using CW as there are for using it, most of them technical (which won't be repeated). Instead,

I offer two additional reasons.

CW, like tennis, bowling, chess, "The Game", or whatever, is a skill that must first be learned then developed. The degree of this development is directly related to the effort expended. Likewise the degree of enjoyment obtained is related to the proficiency attained. To those in our fraternity who pursue sport or other endeavor simple for the joy of conquering a new "field", or to excel in an existing one, I submit CW as a worthy challenge.

There is yet another area of appeal which may not be appreciated by most. CW is an excellent means of "escape". What better way is there to set aside your problems of the day and enter into another world - one that completely absorbs your full consciousness - than to get on CW? All you need to "enter" is a little knowledge, lots of patience and some basic skill; the rewards can be very gratifying. To the old timers who regularly operate in this mode, I can only say "You know what I mean". To the outsiders I say, "Try it, you'll like it."

73 Magazine, June 1975, p. 97

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 22:45:44 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 21:13:35 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9412281824.A15694-01000000@netcom2>
From: paul Veltman <veltman@netcom.com>

Subject: Re: A Case For CW

Hopefully without starting to have this list sound like that other newsgroup, I would like to add one short comment. I received a book for Christmas. It is entitled "Skunk Works" by Ben Rich, who headed the top secret aircraft design facility for Lockheed for many years. It is an interesting book and I strongly recommend it as a great non-fiction book. It has one interesting story about a U-2 driver named Marty Knutsen. He was flying from a recon mission in 1958 over the USSR and was to land at a location in Iran. When he landed, the people who were supposed to pick him up told him that their radio gear was out. They knew he was a ham, and asked him if he knew CW. He did, and spent the rest of that afternoon relaxing in his pressure suit with an 807 and tapping out CW to contact their home base. Remind anyone of Field Day??

73

Paul WA6OKQ

From boatanchors@theporch.com Thu Dec 29 00:31:09 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 22:58:40 -0600
Message-Id: <199412290457.UAA04665@hobbes.UCSC.EDU>
From: haynes@cats.ucsc.edu (Jim Haynes)
Subject: Re: A Case For CW

Interesting coincidence - I received the same book as a Christmas gift from WA6JYJ. But I haven't started on it yet because I'm in the midst of "Astronomer by Chance", the autobiography of Sir Bernard Lovell.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 11:24:52 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 09:49:23 -0600
Message-Id: <199412281220.AA02122@shore.shore.net>
From: Michael Crestohl <mc@shore.net>
Subject: A Christmas Visit!!!!!!

Hi BA folk:

Hope you all had a nice Christmas. Cynthia and I had an unexpected visitor on Christmas Day - yes, you guessed it! The lad was in town to visit "The Old Man" but couldn't stay over because there's nowhere he can park the Henry nYellar Mobile. So he showed up here on Sunday afternoon and graced us with his presence until Monday.

He knows about the BA list and says if he ever gets a 'pooter' and e-mail access he'd jump on board. Chuck WA1EKV also is a silent subscriber and has printed out sample stuff to give to Tim. We "fired up the 811 rig" and spent

a fine business evening together. I had him make a guest appearance on one of the local 2m CB repeaters (owned by a real Timtron fan) and he entertained the gang for quite a while. He flipped out when I showed him the accumulation of BA material I picked up last October/November and he wants to use the DX-60 as a guinea pig for an in-depth dissertation on how to "de-hyellify" it. The rig is nearly MINT, and I suppose should be kept intact for a future collector, but it will just have to be sacrificed in the name of good audio. He left Monday as I had one more day at "Lick Me" (@ \$21.00 an hour!!) but as he left I saw his old station antenna switch in the trunk of his car - burnt and knobs melted from the fire. It was very sad.....

Anyways, that's how we spent Christmas 1994. It was good.

Happy New Year everybody!

Michael KH6KD/W1
Cynthia VE2QF

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 11:36:48 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 10:03:16 -0600
Message-Id: <9412281602.AA23379@unlinfo.unl.edu>
From: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu (daniel wright)
Subject: Re: A Christmas Visit!!!!!!

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 19:44:59 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 17:53:46 -0600
Message-Id: <9412282055.AA06967@unlinfo.unl.edu>
From: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu (daniel wright)
Subject: Re: A Christmas Visit!!!!!!

Forwarded message:

> From djw Wed Dec 28 14:51:50 1994
> From: djw (daniel wright)
> Message-Id: <9412282051.AA06650@unlinfo.unl.edu>
> Subject: Re: A Christmas Visit!!!!!!
> To: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu
> Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 14:51:54 -0600 (CST)
> In-Reply-To: <9412281602.AA23379@unlinfo.unl.edu> from "daniel wright" at Dec
28, 94 10:03:16 am
> X-Mailer: ELM [version 2.4 PL20]
> Content-Type: text
> Content-Length: 849
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 19:26:17 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 17:52:11 -0600
Message-Id: <9412282056.AA07044@unlinfo.unl.edu>
From: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu (daniel wright)
Subject: Re: A Christmas Visit!!!!!! (fwd)

Forwarded message:

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Message-Id: <9412282051.AA06650@unlinfo.unl.edu>
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To: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 14:51:54 -0600 (CST)
In-Reply-To: <9412281602.AA23379@unlinfo.unl.edu> from "daniel wright" at Dec 28, 94 10:03:16 am
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 20:10:16 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 18:37:43 -0600
Message-Id: <9412281605.AA23683@jkhhome.network23.com>
From: john@jkhhome.network23.com (John King)
Subject: B&W coax switches

Greetings gang,

Here's a late stocking stuffer:

Barker & Williamson is getting totally out of ham radio production, and Herbach & Rademan (sp?) is liquidating the stock. They have B&W 6-position coax switches selling for \$9.95 each. The switch is rated for 1500W and is BNC in and out. They also had 3-position switches for 6.95, but might be sold out on those{

Not really boatanchors, but great for selecting the boatanchor for your transmitting pleasure from your collection.

Speaking of B&W, I just purchased a B&W 6100... been chasing that one for quite a while. Comes with 2 manuals: a working manual, and one still sealed in the original factory plastic! Hurry, Mr UPS man!

Oh yeah, H&R 215 788-5583 Visa/MC - no affiliation, etc.

Happy & prosperous New Year to all gentle boatanchor folks.

John King WA1ABI

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 01:16:49 1994
Date: Tue, 27 Dec 1994 23:39:55 -0600
Message-Id: <9412272313.aa28172@jackatak.theporch.com>
From: Fire Bottle archive handler <firebotl@jackatak.theporch.com>
Subject: back issues of the BA-DIGEST

> I guess it's what is important to the individual.
Exactly! And, we have 250+ *individuals* subscribed to the B/A list right now... that's easily 250+ different views of what is good and important for an "archive"

> To me, the value of an
> archive is in the technical information it contains.
I started collecting the articles because I was posting them to my BBS (in a local area) and had the rollover set at 300 or so... at about 360, I posted an article through the reader software as opposed to simply saving the list post as a file in the local area... poof! There went the first 60+ articles! Ah, well...

I continued to collect them for a variety of reasons, many of which led me to volunteer to run the list on a local machine. Not all this was technical in nature, though that aspect is admittedly a very important influence.

> I would have no
> interest in looking up old postings dealing with - say - cross posted
> equipment ads.

Perhaps you might if you were trying to answer the question that seems to pop up regularly: "How much is a xxx worth?" Even allowing for the time sensitivity of such postings, I think their value on this list is quite apart from facilitating trades and acquisition: I think the value of these posts is more far-reaching, and somewhat more time *insensitive* than we might suppose.

> On the other hand, I would think that the wrinkle paint thread can be
> edited to take out redundant comments and kept in the archive.
"The" wrinkle paint thread? Actually, there have been several smaller threads that periodically are woven into a list-wide discussion. The recent spate was NOT the first mention of wrinkle paint restoration.

Now, as to the editing requirement: perhaps I am misjudging your meaning, but it *sounded* to me as though the amount of effort to adequately edit and compress those postings into a cogent and connected "archive" suitable as a reference has been trivialized along the way.

> To me (one curmudgeon), the way to
> sort the archive is by type of gear.
Just a quickie: what mechanism would you use to sort? The "Subject: " line in each post? I did that already, and I can assure you, that is NOT a satisfactory method! ;^) To build a hypertext archive is far more ambitious than I can undertake: I have neither the room, the time, nor the need/desire... Besides, as you note, there are often

overlaps and dualities that must be dealt with... I sure don't know how! All I could do was used what I had, and build an index (Just the file names and a *sorted* list of "Subject: " headers through October '94 is 300K and there were 619 posts for November that need attention! ;^)

> I would have little interest in
> just a chronological collection of postings.
Just chrono? Not of much use, I agree, BUT the sequence of comments adds a tremendous amount to the texture of a particular thread as it develops on the list... Not the most significant sort field, to be sure, but not the least significant, either.

> One important archive would be "sources." Every so often an address
> appears on the list about where one can get a certain part.
WOW!!! Who is gonna pour through *8700* plus postings for all the address of potential interest? Unless you have some pretty neat grep tool, this is no trivial search!

> If this address book with phones and what they stock can be kept up,
> it would be a popular archive.
Sure would! I have considered making a CD-ROM out of the BA list postings, but we don't have enough to fill it, unless we get the photo archive going as well...

> Maybe there are some R-390 guys on the list that
> would like to take on this one piece and it's relatives, or all Collins
> military that I don't know much about.
BUT, *how* do you propose to cull out the Collins from the rest, let alone the military from civilian or R390 vs the rest of Art's works? I am seeking some ideas for how to manage this thing. The archive has grown very rapidly and is now more than 8700 postings covering a variety of topics, NOT often described well in the "Subject: " line! ;^)

> Anyway, that's how I would approach this problem.
The problem was (I think I initially stated it this way) that I had the list to worry about, and limited time, and was looking for ideas on how to manage the archives... I sure as hell wasn't looking for ways to fill my already full dance card! ;^) I wanna help, and I want the archives to be accessible via more than email to me... ftp, or web or something with hypertext... I only have email unless I go to Phil's system, and I do NOT want to abuse him and his system with the load of storing the BoatAnchor archives... that was where I was coming from at first... now I am no longer sure where I am, where I'm going, nor from when I came! ;^)

73

Jack, W4PPT/M (75M SSB 2-letter WAS #1657/#1789 -- both from the mobile! ;^)

Fire Bottle Server (Boat Anchors Get Out and Keep You Warm!)
firebot1@jackatak.theporch.com
Where Old Radios and Fun ... GO TOGETHER!
+-----human interface: root@jackatak.theporch.com-----+

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 02:06:01 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 00:30:24 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.ULT.3.91.941227222540.3916B-1000000@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
From: Cal Eustaquio <ceustaqu@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
Subject: Re: Does anyone have a spare tuner?

Keving:

I have a Murch UT-2000 transmatch in excellent condition but I'm running out of room (a.k.a the Great Equipment Purge, Part 1)! It is roller tuned and has a balun for the ladder line stuff, etc. You will need your own swr meter for this one. I will send it to you \$125.00 shipped. Let me know. 73's. Cal, N6KYR.

On Tue, 27 Dec 1994, Kevin Anderson wrote:

> Hey BA Gang --
>
> I'm slowly building my station/collection. I have a Halli S-38C
> receiver, a venerable Heath HW-16 transceiver, some 40m xtals, and
> a straight key.
>
> Now I am in need of an antenna tuner/transmatch.
>
> Anybody have a usable (non-fried) Johnson Matchbox or some
> other "BA-compatible" tuner they will part with and sell
> to a list mate? My wife has me trained not to go to
> swapmeets (Sunday morning in church with the family is the
> only option permitted in our house), so I'm coming to the friends I
> know and trust with my request. Nothing fancy wanted, but something
> I can use to load up various antennas with (which I still need to
> hang as well) that may be dipoles, counterpoises, verticals, etc.
>
> Can anyone help me? It's something from here or I go
> to MFJ for one of their 943E 300-watt Versa tuners. What do
> I need? Even a homebrew might do if you have one. I'm not
> big power, but then I'm not QRP either with the HW-16.
>
> Thanks much. Cheers. Kevin, KB9IUA
> * * * * *
> Kevin L. Anderson, CENCR-PD-W, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
> Rock Island District Office, Planning Div.-Waterway Systems
> Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004, USA phone:(309) 794-5605

> e-mail: anderson@ncrsun1.ncr.usace.army.mil
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> Opinions expressed here are my own and do not represent the
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 02:23:54 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 00:46:05 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.ULT.3.91.941227224448.3916H-1000000@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
From: Cal Eustaquio <ceustaqu@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
Subject: DX-100 and Bud cabinets

> Hallooo fellow BA enthusiasts:
>
> I was fortunate to get a very nice SP-200 for X-mas. But the cabinet is
> in need of dire help. Does someone have a Bud cabinet (designed for 10.5"
> tall receivers) that will spare the chrome trim? No, don't scrap one off
> a good cabinet. A junker strip will do. And even if the chrome on the
> trim is bad, I'm still interested. I'm also looking for the cabinet door
> hardware for the same, particularly the release lever and lock mechanism.
> As with the trim, the chrome need not be nice. I will be
> doing a top to bottom powdercoat krinkle restoration on this cabinet and
> for you folks that are interested, I'll keep ya posted.
>
> Second want: An empty ROUND STYLE DX-100 cabinet with hardware. The paint
> need not be nice but I prefer a unit with at least all four support
> struts, both sides and at least the top and bottom screens. Again,
> another powder coat resto. Tnx and 73's. Cal, N6KYR.
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 19:54:50 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 18:21:09 -0600
Message-Id: <199412282003.0AA29944@motcig.cig.mot.com>
From: knight@sol.cae.cig.mot.com (PEKer)
Subject: FS: Collins S-Line Station

I have the following equipment for sale:

Collins 75S1 Receiver	\$325
Collins 32S1 Transmitter & 516F2 power supply	\$325
Astatic D104 mic (w/o preamp)	\$40
Hand mic (wired for 32S1)	free w/ 32S1

All prices do NOT include shipping.

If you're interested, please drop me a note at: knight@cae.cig.mot.com

Thanks!

Paul WD8DKY

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 13:06:40 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 11:34:37 -0600
Message-Id: <199412281736.JAA23956@mozart.bcit.bc.ca>
From: "Colin Schmutter" <cschmutter@bcit.bc.ca>
Subject: Modifications

I have decided to add my 2 cents worth about sub categories for the boatanchors list.

Has anyone thought about a discussion group focussing on mods and enhancements to old equipment.

I know a lot of improvements can be made to older equipment to improve performance.

Such a sub group might encourage a greater exchange of information helpful to us newer members that are less experienced with tube equipment.

Thanks

Colin Schmutter

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Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 18:41:17 -0600
Message-Id: <941228181340_984173@aol.com>
From: WaltN@aol.com
Subject: Msg for Ray Sumperl

Ray,

Have tried to contact you via voice and email with no joy. Need to chat with you regarding UPS shipment we've been expecting. Please call me (415.738.0370) ASAP.

Sorry for the bandwidth, folks! Happy New Year to all Anchorites and happy BA hunting.

Walt Novinger

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Dec 28 09:46:45 1994
Date: Wed, 28 Dec 1994 07:52:22 -0600
Message-Id: <9171@w5ddl.aara.org>
From: n5off@w5ddl.aara.org
Subject: R-390A census

Just a reminder that if you wish to contribute to the BA'ers R-390A census, please send your input to me to be added to the list.

Looking for this data:

1. Maker
2. Order No. (front tag)
3. Frame s.n.
4. Any unusual features.

Here is a teaser of a contribution I rec'd today (name omitted so we don't bug him to sell!).

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Tom: here is a contribution to the census:

Collins
8719-P-55
S/N 3629
features: front panel is stencilled, not engraved, and has front panel diode load modification. Color of panel is blue-gray w/ white letters.

Collins
8719-P-55
S/N 3556
features: front panel is engraved. Has three fuses (two for B+?). Color of panel is blue-gray w/ white letters.

Capehart
21582-PC-61
S/N 1963
features: panel is gray with engraved black letters. Tag indicates modifications 1 through 6 were made. Has front panel diode load test point. Tag indicates "Overhauled by Naval Electronic Systems Command Southeast Division 10/71. Has black heat dissipating tube shields that

were installed by the Navy. Has original case.

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thanks for the contributions, and 73

de tom n5off%w5ddl.aara.org@usl.edu

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Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9412281818.A572526289-01000000@wmich.edu>

From: X90GALBRAIT1@wmich.edu

Subject: Ranger II/7027A mods?

Hearty season's greetings fellows of the glass,
Does anyone know of mods for a Ranger II to change the modulator tube requirements? The original is a 7027A which is hard to find and expensive when it turns up. I've heard that one variety of 6L6xx can be used, but do not know specifics. Does this require a socket change/rewiring, etc..? Anyone know of another way-or have some 7027As for sale :) Neat looking rig, eh?

Hope everyone got what they wanted-or at least what they need.

73, Chris KA8WFC